



PTO/SB/08A (08-00)

Approved for use through 10/31/2002. OMB 0651-0031

Approved for use through 10/31/2021. GPO: 2017-091-0001

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number.

Institute for form 1449A/PTO

# **INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT**

(use as many sheets as necessary)

Sheet 1 of 1

<i>Application Number</i>	09/960,020
<i>Filing Date</i>	9/21/2001
<i>First Named Inventor</i>	Christopher McDowell
<i>Group Art Unit</i>	3721
<i>Examiner Name</i>	
<i>Attorney Docket Number</i>	COD-133

## U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

RECEIVED

AUG 12 20

TECHNOLOGY CENTER P3700

## FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS							
Examiner Initials	Cite No. <sup>1</sup>	Foreign Patent Document			Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Date of Publication of Cited Document mm-dd-yyyy	Pages, Columns, Lines, where relevant passages or relevant figures appear
		Office <sup>3</sup>	Number <sup>4</sup>	KindCode <sup>5</sup>			
10P		DE	29705944		Karl Leibinger Medizintechnik GMBH	5/28/1997	
10P		WO	9408642		Abbott Lab	4/28/1994	
10P		FR	2655840			6/21/1999	

Examiner Signature	11- P-2- pi	Date Considered	4/3/03
-----------------------	-------------------	--------------------	--------

\*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

<sup>1</sup> Unique citation designation number. <sup>2</sup> See attached Kinds of U.S. Patent Documents. <sup>3</sup> Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). <sup>4</sup> For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. <sup>5</sup> Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST. 16 if possible. <sup>6</sup> Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.

Burden Hour Statement: This form is estimated to take 2.0 hours to complete. Time will vary depending upon the needs of the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you are required to complete this form should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U. S. Patent and Trademark Office, Washington, DC 20231.

**DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, DC 20231.**



AUG 9 8 2002

SUBMISSION UNDER MPEP 609 D

Page / of /

<i>Application Number</i>	09/960,020
<i>Filing Date</i>	9/21/2001
<i>First Named Inventor</i>	Christopher McDowell
<i>Group Art Unit</i>	3721
<i>Examiner Name</i>	
<i>Attorney Docket Number</i>	COD-133

## U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

RECEIVED

AUG 12 2002

TECHNOLOGY CENTER R3700

## FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

**OTHER PRIOR ART - NON PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS**

**Examiner  
Signature**

1-022 ~~112~~

Date  
Considered

4/3/03